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1.	Statement				
	Novelty (1	N)	Claims	1-14	YES
			Claims		NO
	Inventive	step (IS)	Claims	1-14	YES
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	Industrial	applicability (IA)	Claims	1-14	YES
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2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Reference is made to the following document:

D1: WO 0147796 A1

1. Closest prior art

D1, which is considered to be the prior art closest to the subject matter of claim 1, describes a rapid assembly/mounting system for lift guides such that each guide has a web/head, a precision-finished upper reference surface, precision-finished lateral reference surfaces and a flange on each side, and such that fishplates for aligning and fastening the guide ends are screwed onto each guide end (2).

2. Problem

The problem is that of simplifying the rapid assembly/mounting system for lift guides of D1. Said system requires a plurality of screws to be centred and tightened for each guide.

3. Solution

The solution is proposed in the characterising part of claim 1. The rapid assembly/mounting system for lift guides has fishplates, each of which extends between

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the flanges either side of at least two guides. The structure of said fishplate is such that two plate portions, capable of moving on tightening means (screws) mounted on said plate portions, are placed opposite the flanges on either side. As said tightening means move said plate portions closer together, the latter are laterally clamped against the flanges. Each plate portion has alignment elements, which are centred and engage the machined areas of the guides.

4. Inventive step

The solution to this problem, as proposed in claim 1 of the present application, is considered to involve an inventive step (PCT Article 33(3)) for the following reasons: clamping the guides between two assembly plates provided with alignment elements is neither described in, nor suggested by, the prior art. Furthermore, in the absence of such a suggestion, a person skilled in the art seeking to solve the abovementioned problem would never arrive at the moving device proposed in claim 1.

Claims 2 to 14 are dependent on claim 1 and thus also comply, as such, with the PCT requirements of novelty and inventive step.